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Application No. 09/829,701
Examiner C. Kyle
Art Unit 3624

Request for Continued Examination (in duplicate)
Petition and Fee for Extension of Time
Amendment Transmittal
Amendment

Y0R920010151US1
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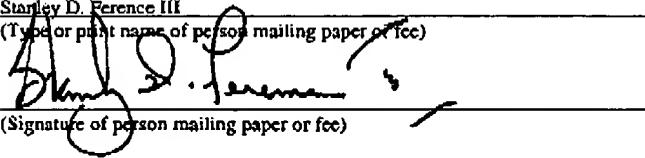
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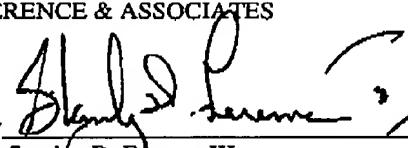
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Applicant encloses herewith a check for \$ ____ to cover the RCE fee.
 The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the \$790.00 RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 50-0510.
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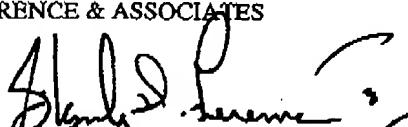
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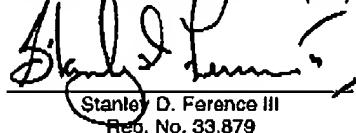
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**PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

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Sir:

Applicant(s) hereby petitions for an extension of time for a total period of one (1) month through and including December 27, 2004 (the next succeeding day which is not a Saturday or Sunday) to respond to the Office Action mailed on August 26, 2004. If an additional extension of time is required to insure that this paper is timely filed, please consider this a petition therefor.

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The Response for which this extension is requested is filed herewith.

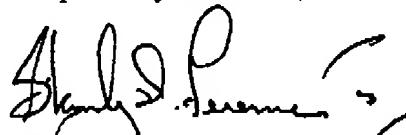
Applicant is other than a small entity and the extension fee required under 37

C.F.R. § 1.17(a)-(d) is calculated below:

| | | large entity | small entity |
|-----|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| (X) | one month | \$120 | \$60 |
| () | two months | \$450 | \$225 |
| () | three months | \$1020 | \$5100 |
| () | four months | \$1,590 | \$795 |
| () | five months | \$2,160 | \$1,080 |

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